



Documents Required in Support of an Exchange Visitor J-1 Visa Application

□ Confirmation page of the online nonimmigrant visa application form DS-160;
□ Appointment confirmation page (if relevant)
□ A passport or other travel document valid for at for at least six months beyond your period of stay in the United States with at least one blank page - the six-month requirement does not apply to United Kingdom passports. For other nationalities, please see http://dld.bz/ah29g Note: If the passport is damaged, we recommend that you obtain a new passport before applying for the visa to avoid any delay in the processing of your application;
□ One 5 x 5 cm (2" by 2") color photograph taken within the last six months – for further information click

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of your application;
One 5 x 5 cm (2" by 2") color photograph taken within the last six months – for further information click
here and see our Slideshare presentation;
Evidence of your status in the United Kingdom if not a U.K. or EU passport holder;
Evidence of previously issued U.S. visas if not contained in the current passport;
The DS-2019, Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor Status;
The DS-7002, Training/Internship Placement Plan. Note: Only J-1 trainee or intervisa applicants with a DS-
2019 form dated on or after July 19 2007 (based on box 7 on form) are required to present form DS-7002.

☐ A SEVIS fee receipt. Note: Only J-1 visa applicants are required to pay the SEVIS fee. Please visit the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) <u>Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP)</u> website for further information; and

☐ If you have ever been <u>arrested and/or have a criminal conviction</u>, have <u>a medical ineligibility</u>, or have been <u>denied entry into or deported</u> from the United States the documents relating to your situation. Please click on the relevant links for further information.

Note: The decision to approve or deny the application will be based on the interview and information provided orally. However, the consular officer may ask for documentary evidence of the following:

Funds sufficient to cover all expenses including tuition while in the United States. Such evidence may include
detailed bank statements of your or your parent's accounts showing that adequate funds are available for
transfer, evidence of scholarships and/or combination of finances which will meet the estimated total
expenses, including tuition, of your proposed stay in the United States;
a residence abroad to which you intend to return at the end of the stay in the United States. This is generally

established by evidence of family, professional, property, employment or other ties and commitments to some country other than the United States sufficient to cause the applicant to return there at the conclusion of his/her authorized stay.

If your application is successful, you should allow approximately **five workdays** for the visa to be processed at the end of which, the passport will be handed to the courier company for delivery. Once the courier company is in receipt of your passport, you will be able to track the delivery by going to http://usvisa-info.com and signing-in with your user account id.

Reminder: We always recommend that individuals apply for visas well in advance of their proposed date of travel. No assurances regarding the issuance of visas can be given in advance. Therefore, final travel plans or the purchase of non refundable ticket should not be made until a visa has been issued and you are in receipt of the passport.